

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
GAS SERVICES DIVISION**

**GAS UTILITIES  
INFORMATION BULLETIN**

**No. 765**



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Orders were issued in the following dockets:

**GUD Docket No. 9546** COMPLAINT OF WTG GAS MARKETING, INC. AGAINST OASIS PIPE LINE L.P. AND REQUEST FOR ORDER REQUIRING RATE JUSTIFICATION

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**SECTION 1**  
**NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED**

**DOCKET NO.** -- 9566  
**CAPTION** -- The Railroad Commission will consider amending 8.1 relating to General Applicability and Standards, 8.201, relating to Pipeline Safety Program Fees, and 8.210, relating to Reports.  
**DATE FILED** -- February 1, 2005  
**FILED BY** -- Commission's Own Motion  
**EXAMINER** -- Mary McDaniel

**DOCKET NO.** -- 9567  
**CAPTION** -- Appeal Filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division for Review of Municipal Rate Actions Regarding the Annual GRIP from the Cities of Azle, Baird, Bartonville, Bells, Blue Mound, Buffalo Gap, et al.  
**DATE FILED** -- February 2, 2005  
**FILED BY** -- Charles Yarbrough  
**EXAMINER** -- Bill Geise

**DOCKET NO.** -- 9568  
**CAPTION** -- Appeal filed by Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division for Review of Municipal Rate Actions Regarding the Annual GRIP from the cities of Bartonville, Cedar Park, Clarksville, Lakeside, Petrolia, Richland, Riesel, River Oaks, and White Settlement.  
**DATE FILED** -- February 14, 2005  
**FILED BY** -- John K. Arnold  
**EXAMINER** -- Bill Geise

**SECTION 2**  
**APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

None at this time

**SECTION 3**  
**STATUS OF PENDING CASES**

None at this time

**SECTION 4**  
**NOTICES OF DISMISSAL**

None at this time

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**SECTION 5**  
**ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION**

**BEFORE THE**  
**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS**

COMPLAINT OF WTG GAS MARKETING, §  
INC. AGAINST OASIS PIPE LINE L.P. AND §  
REQUEST FOR ORDER REQUIRING RATE §  
JUSTIFICATION §  
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**GAS UTILITIES DOCKET**  
**No. 9546**

**ORDER**

On November 4, 2004, WTG Gas Marketing filed a complaint against Oasis Pipe Line L.P. On January 26, 2005, WTG filed a Motion to Dismiss and indicated that the parties reached an agreement regarding the transportation rate.

Without ruling on the merits of WTG's complaint, it is accordingly ordered that the request in this docket is hereby **DISMISSED**, without prejudice, under the provision of 16 *Tex. Admin. Code* § 1.126(3) (1991), on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February 2005.

/s/  
Lindil C. Fowler, Jr.  
Railroad Commission of Texas  
Office of General Counsel

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**SECTION 6  
MISCELLANEOUS****STEPHEN L. PITNER, GAS SERVICES DIVISION DIRECTOR****1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR****A. Publications**

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules - \$15.00
2. a. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2002 – Now available via the Commission’s website at:  
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/gs/tablecontents02.html>  
b. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2001 – available via the Commission’s website at:  
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/gs/tablecontents01.html>  
a. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2000 - \$17.00 (includes statistical data for 1999)  
b. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1999 - \$9.00 (includes statistical data for 1998)  
c. Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1998 - \$7.00 (includes statistical data for 1997)
3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - \$2.00 – Now available via the Commission’s website at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/gs/rap/sixmcf.html>

Anyone who wishes to obtain a copy of any of the publications or maps listed in Section A should contact the Central Records Section at 512-463-6887 OR 512-463-6882 P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967.

**B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits**

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2004 is 6.00%. All gas utilities should use this rate.

**2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION****A. Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:**

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**B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports**

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Rachel Hampton at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Rachel Hampton or Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

**C. Available Information**

Copies of gas utility annual reports (1999 to present), as well as information relating to any of the above, A through C, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Division, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of five days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

**3. MARKET OVERSIGHT**

**A. Maintains the following office to assist you:**

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building  
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**B. Gas Utilities Information Bulletin**

Published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/gs/rap/rapbls.html>.

**C. Proposals For Decision**

Published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/divisions/gs/rap/pfds.html>.

**D. Tariff Filings**

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Kathy Arroyo, Yolanda Lovelace or Marie Blanco at (512) 463-7164.

**E. Curtailments**

Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7164. Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7164. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

**F. Compliance Filings**

Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Mark Brock at (512) 463-7164.

**G. Complaints and Inquiries**

All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164.

**H. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:**

GUD No. 9253 New Rule for Relocation Cost Recovery Factor

GUD No. 9275 Amendments to §7.512 NGPA Section 311 Rate Review

GUD No. 9276 Amendments to §7.511 TUC Section 102.054 Sale, Transfer, Merger Reviews

GUD No. 9277 Amendments to §7.305 Curtailment Rule

**4. HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS**

**A. Miscellaneous**

Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.

**B. Status of Pending Cases**

The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.